THE CITY OF WYOMING, MICHIGAN NEWSLETTER

July 2016

Summer Activities in Wyoming

Beat the summer vacation slump with these activities taking place in the City of Wyoming in July.

The Wyoming Community Enrichment Commission Concerts in the Park will take place at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at Lamar Park, 2561 Porter St. SW.

All Concerts in the Park events are free to attend. Each concert features a theme, giveaways, games and competitions for kids and adults, as well as inflatable bounce-house equipment. Local, affordable and healthy food options are available for purchase from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

July concerts include:

The Kentwood Community

Church Worship Band with gospel and world music on July 5.

- The Legal Immigrants with indie folk rock on July 12.
- Jared Knox with modern country music on July 19.
- The Crane Wives with Americana folk music on July 26.
 For more information, visit

wyomingcec.org.

The Metro Health Farm Market at Metro Health Village, 5900 Byron Center Ave. SW, is open from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. each Thursday in July.

The market attracts visitors from all over West Michigan. In addition to farm-fresh produce, offerings include baked goods, flowers and plants, homemade foods, hand-crafted items and more from about 60 different vendors. The market features free parking and fun, family-friendly events throughout the summer months.

For more information, visit metrohealth.net.

Wyoming Parks and Recreation and Senior Center activities and events include technology, art, dance and fitness classes, day trips, social services and educational programs.

To browse summer activity brochures, get more information and to register for classes and events, visit the City of Wyoming website at wyomingmi.gov.

Message Message



As summer is upon us and we're more likely to interact with our neighbors, I want to reflect on the importance of respect and kindness in our City.

Our own actions, however small, can change our community for the better. Even small things can make a big difference. Performing random acts of kindness can spread goodwill throughout Wyoming.

These may include:

- Holding the door for the person behind you
- Picking up litter in the street, in parking lots or in our parks
- Taking someone else's cart back at the grocery store
- Helping plant or weed your neighbor's garden
- Saying "thank you" to service members
- Simply saying hello and smiling when you pass someone

I urge all of our citizens, businesses and school districts to be involved and be informed and to support and promote civility and kindness. These acts truly demonstrate what Wyoming is about.

Mayor Jack A. Poll

Michigan Blood Drive at Wyoming City Hall

Blood donors can make a lifesaving difference.

A blood drive will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on July 12 at Wyoming City Hall, 1155 28th St. SW.

You may be eligible to give blood if you are a healthy person age 17 or older (or 16 with the consent of a parent or guardian) weighing 110 pounds or more. Donors must sign in and present photo identification or two forms of non-photo ID. Donors who are 16 years old will also need to present a parental consent form.

For more information, visit miblood.org.

News Briefs

PUBLIC SAFETY

Car seat inspections will be available Thursday, July 14 and Thursday, Aug. 11 at Wyoming Fire Station #1, 1500 Burton St. SW from 5 to 8 p.m. Register by calling Safe Kids of Greater Grand Rapids at 391-7233, ext. 2.

WYOMING HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Are you a history buff? Interested in learning more about Wyoming's history? Check out the Wyoming Historical Commission's Facebook page at facebook.com/wyoming.historyroom.

REGISTER AS A PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTER

Are you 60 years of age or older? You can register as a permanent absentee voter. You may also request an absentee ballot for the August and November elections if you meet any of the following criteria:

- You expect to be absent from the community in which you registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day
- You are physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another
- You cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of your religion
- You have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where you reside
- You cannot attend the polls because you are confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial

Contact the City Clerk's office at 530-7296 to register as a permanent absentee voter, to request an absentee ballot or for more information.

ONLINE BILL PAY

Utility customers can now receive water and sewer bills by email. To sign up, contact the Utility Billing Department at 530-7389.

ASSESSOR'S BOARD OF REVIEW SEEKS MEMBERS

The City Assessor's office is taking applications for two positions on the Board of Review. One member must be a licensed Realtor and both must be registered electors of the City. The Board of Review meets three times in the year: March, July and December. Members are responsible for reviewing and correcting the assessment roll. For further information call 530-7231.

LIBRARY

The library will be closed Monday, July 4 for the holiday.

The library is closed on Sundays during the summer. Sunday service will resume after the Labor Day weekend on Sept. 11.

An adult book club is held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room. July's selection is "The Zookeeper's Wife," by Diane Ackerman. In August, the feature is "My Antonia," by Willa Cather followed in September with "Poisoning the Pecks of Grand Rapids," by Tobin Buhk.

For further details on these and the library's many programs, stop in to pick up a program guide, check out www.kdl.org or call 784-2007.

Telephone Numbers

| Mayor's Office | 530-7227 |
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| City Manager | 530-3173 |
| City Clerk | 530-7296 |
| Police Department | 530-7300 |
| Fire Department | 530-7250 |
| Public Works | 530-7260 |
| Utilities | 261-3550 |
| Planning & Community | |
| Development | 530-7258 |
| Parks & Recreation | 530-3164 |
| Building Inspections | 530-7285 |
| Assessor | 530-7231 |
| District Court | 257-9814 |
| Treasurer | 530-7280 |
| Utility Billing | 530-7389 |
| Wyoming Senior Center | 530-3190 |
| Wyoming Public Library | 784-2007 |
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Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Zoning Board Of Appeals | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room

Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor
Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,
Council Member-at-Large
Dan Burrill, Council Member-at-Large
Kent Vanderwood, Council Member-at-Large
Bill VerHulst, 1st Ward Council Member
Richard K. Pastoor, 2nd Ward Council Member
Joanne Voorhees, 3rd Ward Council Member

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